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RESPONSE TO OFFICE

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2005, in connection with the above-designated application. A response to the Office Action is due January 21, 2005. Therefore, this Response is timely filed.

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Election/Restriction

In response to the Election/Restrictions, Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1, 3, 4, 11, 12 and 13 in the present application. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the remaining claims in divisional applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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